

## Some Complete Sequences in Normed Linear Spaces

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### I. INTRODUCTION

It is well known that in a normed linear space (n.l.s.)  $X$  with the conjugate space  $X^*$ , a sequence of its elements is called complete or total if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  satisfying  $\phi(f_n) = 0$  for all  $n$ . In [1] Davis and Fan introduced the notions of  $(a_n)$ -complete sequences and complete sequences of order  $p$  ( $1 \leq p$ ) as follows. A sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of a n.l.s.  $X$  is said to be  $(a_n)$ -complete, where  $(a_n)$  is a given sequence of nonnegative numbers, if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  for which  $|\phi(f_n)| \leq a_n$  holds for all  $n$ . A sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of  $X$  is said to be complete of order  $p$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  for which  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\phi(f_n)|^p$  is convergent. The sequence  $(f_n)$  is said to be  $\infty$ -complete, if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  for which  $\{\phi(f_n)\}$  is bounded.

In Section II of this paper, some other types of complete sequences viz.,  $c_0$ -complete sequences,  $F_r$ -complete sequences,  $E_r$ -complete sequences [2] and  $R$ -complete sequences are defined and their approximation theorems studied. In Section III a method of construction of  $c_0$ -complete sequences is given.

### II. SOME TYPES OF COMPLETE SEQUENCES

**DEFINITION 1.** A sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of a n.l.s.  $X$  is said to be  $c_0$ -complete if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  for which  $\{\phi(f_n)\}$  is a null sequence.

It is clear that a  $c_0$ -complete sequence is complete in the usual sense as well as complete of order  $p$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) and that an  $\infty$ -complete sequence is  $c_0$ -complete. It is an easy consequence of the property of null sequences that addition (removal) of a finite number of elements to (from) a  $c_0$ -complete sequence does not alter the  $c_0$ -completeness.

Further, if  $(f_n)$  is  $c_0$ -complete and if  $(a_n)$  is a null sequence of nonnegative numbers, then for any  $\phi \in X^*$ ,  $|\phi(f_n)| \leq a_n$  for all  $n$  implies that  $\phi(f_n)$  is a null sequence and so  $\phi \equiv 0$ . Thus  $(f_n)$  is  $(a_n)$ -complete for every non-

negative null sequence  $(a_n)$ . If there is a non-zero  $\phi \in X^*$  such that  $\phi(f_n)$  is a null sequence, by taking  $a_n = |\phi(f_n)|$ , it is seen that  $(f_n)$  is not  $(a_n)$ -complete for this null sequence  $(a_n)$ . Thus we have the result that a sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of  $X$  is  $c_0$ -complete iff it is  $(a_n)$ -complete for every null sequence  $(a_n)$  of nonnegative numbers. Using the approximation theorem for  $(a_n)$ -complete sequences in [1], the approximation theorem for  $c_0$ -complete sequences can be obtained as

**THEOREM 1.** *The sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of a n.l.s.  $X$  is  $c_0$ -complete iff for any  $g \in X$ , any sequence  $(a_n)$  of nonnegative numbers converging to zero and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist a finite number of constants  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m$  (real or complex as the space is) such that*

$$\left\| g - \sum_{k=1}^m C_k f_k \right\| < \epsilon, \quad \sum_{k=1}^m |C_k| a_k < \epsilon.$$

**DEFINITION 2.** A sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of a n.l.s.  $X$  is said to be  $E_r$ -complete ( $r > 0$ ), if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  for which

$$|\phi(f_n)| \leq n^r \quad \text{for all } n.$$

It is clear that  $(f_n)$  is  $E_r$ -complete iff  $(f_n/n^r)$  is  $\infty$ -complete. Hence we have that  $(f_n)$  is  $E_r$ -complete iff for any  $g \in X$ , and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can find a finite number of constants  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m$  satisfying

$$\left\| g - \sum_1^m C_n f_n \right\| < \epsilon, \quad \sum_1^m |C_n| n^r < \epsilon.$$

**DEFINITION 3.** A sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of a n.l.s.  $X$  is said to be  $F_r$ -complete ( $r > 0$ ), if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  for which

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\phi(f_n)| n^r$$

is convergent.

It is immediate that  $(f_n)$  is  $F_r$ -complete iff  $(n^r f_n)$  is complete of order 1. Hence we can state the corresponding approximation theorem as follows. A sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements in a n.l.s.  $X$  is  $F_r$ -complete iff for any  $g \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can obtain a finite number of constants  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m$  such that

$$\left\| g - \sum_1^m C_n f_n \right\| < \epsilon, \quad |C_n| \leq \epsilon n^r, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

DEFINITION 4. A sequence  $(f_n)$  of elements of a n.l.s.  $X$  is said to be  $R$ -complete ( $R > 0$ ) if  $\phi \equiv 0$  is the only member of  $X^*$  for which

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\phi(f_n)| R^n$$

is convergent.

Comparing with completeness of order 1 of  $(R^n f_n)$  we obtain that a sequence  $(f_n) \in X$  is  $R$ -complete iff for any  $g \in X$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$  a finite number of constants  $C_1, \dots, C_m$  can be found such that

$$\left\| g - \sum_1^m C_n f_n \right\| < \epsilon, \quad |C_n| \leq \epsilon R^n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

### III. CONSTRUCTION OF $c_0$ -COMPLETE SEQUENCES

THEOREM 2. Let  $(g_n)$  be a complete sequence, satisfying  $\|g_n\| = 1$ , in any normed linear space  $X$  and  $(a_n)$  a sequence of nonzero numbers (real or complex as the space is) converging to zero. Then the sequence of elements  $(f_n)$ , given by:  $f_n = \sum_{d|n} a_d g_d$ , the summation extending over all the divisors  $d$  of  $n$  including 1 and  $n$ , is a  $c_0$ -complete sequence for the space  $X$ .

PROOF. To prove the result it is enough to consider those functionals  $\phi \in X^*$  for which  $\|\phi\| \leq 1$ . Let  $p_n$  stand for the  $n$ th prime number. Let  $\phi \in X^*$  be such that  $\{\phi(f_n)\}$  is a null sequence and  $\|\phi\| \leq 1$ . Since  $\{\phi(f_n)\}$  is a null sequence, every one of its subsequences is also so. Consider the subsequence  $\{\phi(f_{p_n})\}$ .

$$f_{p_n} = a_1 g_1 + a_{p_n} g_{p_n}$$

so

$$\phi(f_{p_n}) = a_1 \phi(g_1) + a_{p_n} \phi(g_{p_n}). \quad (1)$$

As

$$|a_{p_n} \phi(g_{p_n})| \leq |a_{p_n}| \|\phi\| \|g_{p_n}\| \leq |a_{p_n}|$$

and since  $(a_n)$  is a null sequence,  $\{a_{p_n} \phi(g_{p_n})\}$  is also a null sequence.

On making  $n$  tend to infinity, (1) gives

$$a_1 \phi(g_1) = 0$$

since

$$a_1 \neq 0, \quad \phi(g_1) = 0.$$

For a positive integer  $m$ , let

$$\phi(g_1) = \phi(g_2) = \dots = \phi(g_{m-1}) = 0.$$

Consider now the subsequence  $\{\phi(f_{m_{p_n}})\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(f_{m_{p_n}}) &= \sum_{\substack{d|m \\ 1 \leq d < m}} a_d \phi(g_d) + a_m \phi(g_m) + \sum_{d|m} a_{dp_n} \phi(g_{dp_n}) \\ &= a_m \phi(g_m) + \sum_{d|m} a_{dp_n} \phi(g_{dp_n})\end{aligned}$$

in view of the above assumption. For each  $n$ , the number of terms under the summation is the same and each term can be shown to tend to zero as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Therefore we have, on making  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$a_m \phi(g_m) = 0$$

and since  $a_m \neq 0$ ,

$$\phi(g_m) = 0.$$

So we have, by induction, that  $\phi(g_n) = 0$  for all  $n$ .

Hence  $\phi \equiv 0$ , for  $(g_n)$  is a complete sequence, which establishes the theorem.

**COROLLARY.** *In the above construction, if we take*

$$f_n = \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ (d, n/d)=1}} a_d g_d,$$

*then  $(f_n)$  is also  $c_0$ -complete.*

Finally, an example of a  $c_0$ -complete sequence is given which is not  $\infty$ -complete.

Consider the space  $l_p$  ( $p \geq 1$ ). We know that the sequence  $(\xi_j)$  where  $\xi_j = (\delta_{ij})$  is complete and that  $\|\xi_j\| = 1$ . In view of the above theorem, the sequence  $(\eta_j)$  where  $\eta_j = \sum_{d|j} \xi_d / 2^d$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  is  $c_0$ -complete. If we take  $\phi = (1, 0, 0, \dots) \in l_p^*$  we see that  $\phi(\eta_j) = \frac{1}{2}$  for all  $j$ . Thus  $(\eta_j)$  is not  $\infty$ -complete.

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